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Acquisition Information
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In 2008, this collection was transferred San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park museum and archive collection.

Historical or Biographical Note
Historical Note: Captain Alfred Durkee was originally from Nova Scotia and commanded the BALCLUTHA (built 1886; ship, 3m) from 1893-1899. His daughter, Inda Frances Durkee was born on the ship. Inda Durkee's granddaughter, Inda Kristan Steven Dunn, participated with the rechristening of the ship as it was again renamed the BALCLUTHA after being named the PACIFIC QUEEN (built 1886; ship, 3m) for some time.

Collection Scope and Content
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Documents vary in date and subject matter, but all relate to Captain Alfred Durkee and family, the Maritime Museum (San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park), and the BALCLUTHA (built 1886; ship, 3m). Documents include a typescript of "Beating out of Bristol Channel in the Winter of '94: Ship Balclutha," engagement ephemera for great-granddaughter Inda
Kristan Stevens Dunn, receipts and invoices (1900-1914), an 1862 Provincial Secretary's Office circular, and a copy of correspondence between Karl Kortum, founder of the San Francisco Maritime Museum, and Millie Robbins (post 1955). The collection has been processed to the collection level and is available for use without restrictions.

**Collection Arrangement**
Documents are arranged into folders by material type and ascending chronological order within each folder. Receipts and invoices are arranged within the folders by receipt/invoice type and then by ascending chronological order.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**
- Families
- Durkee, Alfred H. Captain
- Balclutha (built 1886; ship, 3m)
- San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park (California)
- Photocopies
- Photographic prints
- Typescripts
- Receipts (Acknowledgments)
- Genealogy
- Captain
- Sailing